

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP24–971–000]

**Vector Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Initiation of Section 5 Proceeding**

On September 19, 2024, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. RP24–971–000, pursuant to section 5 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), 15 U.S.C. 717d, instituting an investigation into whether the rates currently charged by Vector Pipeline L.P. are just and reasonable. *Vector Pipeline L.P.*, 188 FERC ¶ 61,184 (2024).

Any interested person desiring to be heard in Docket No. RP24–971–000 must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.214 (2024), within 30 days of the date of issuance of the order.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. From FERC's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field. User assistance is available for eLibrary and the FERC's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at 202–502–6652 (toll free at 1–866–208–3676) or email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502–8371, TTY (202) 502–8659. Email the Public Reference Room at [public.referenceroom@ferc.gov](mailto:public.referenceroom@ferc.gov).

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFile" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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Dated: September 19, 2024.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,***Acting Secretary.*

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[Docket No. RM24–9–000]

**Alliance for Tribal Clean Energy; Notice of Tribal Consultation**

On August 9, 2024, the Alliance for Tribal Clean Energy (ATCE), pursuant to Rule 207(a)(4) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207(a)(4) (2024), filed a petition requesting that the Commission conduct an expedited rulemaking to revise the *pro forma* Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) to defer the time at which certain "Tribal Energy Development Organizations" must post commercial readiness deposits and partially exempt them from potential withdrawal penalties.<sup>1</sup>

Because the petition seeks to have the Commission institute a rulemaking proceeding that involves issues that would uniquely affect Tribes,<sup>2</sup> the Commission will conduct Tribal consultation with federally recognized Tribes on whether to conduct a rulemaking to revise the *pro forma* LGIP as requested by ATCE. Specifically, the

<sup>1</sup> See *Notice of Petition for Rulemaking and Intent to Hold Tribal Consultation Meetings*, Docket No. RM24–9–000 (September 3, 2024).

<sup>2</sup> "Tribes" and "Tribal" are used herein to refer to federally recognized Indian Tribes as referenced in the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994, 25 U.S.C. 5130.

Commission will consult with Tribes on:

1. Whether to propose to adopt a definition of "Tribal Energy Development Organizations," and perspectives on the definition.
2. Whether to propose to permit those Tribal Energy Development Organizations to defer paying commercial readiness deposits for generator interconnection requests until the execution of a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.
3. Whether to propose to exempt those Tribal Energy Development Organizations from paying the generator interconnection request withdrawal penalties required by section 3.7.1.1(a) of the *pro forma* LGIP.
4. Whether to propose to permit those Tribal Energy Development Organizations withdrawing generator interconnection requests during the timeframes in sections 3.7.1.1(b) and 3.7.1.1(c) of the *pro forma* LGIP to pay a penalty equal to the actual study costs incurred by the withdrawing customer at the time of withdrawal, capped at \$150,000.
5. What challenges Tribes face when pursuing generator interconnection, including the impacts of the commercial readiness deposits and withdrawal penalties set forth in the *pro forma* LGIP.
6. Whether energy projects developed by Tribes are more likely to proceed to commercial operation than projects proposed by other developers? And if so, please share why.

The Tribal consultation will be conducted in accord with the Commission's *Policy Statement on Consultation with Indian Tribes in Commission Proceedings*, Order No. 635, 104 FERC ¶ 61,108 (2003), 18 CFR 2.1c. The Policy Statement states that the Commission will engage Tribes in high-level meetings to discuss general matters of importance, such as those that uniquely affect Tribes.

Tribal consultation will be conducted in two virtual, web-based meetings on October 28, 2024, and November 4, 2024, from 2 p.m.–4 p.m. ET. A call-in option will also be provided. Senior staff from the Office of Energy Policy and Innovation, the Office of Energy Market Regulation, and the Office of the General Counsel will participate in the consultations.

Tribal government leaders or designated representatives interested in participating in consultation on this matter, or who have questions at this time, may contact the Commission by emailing [tribalrelations@ferc.gov](mailto:tribalrelations@ferc.gov).

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Dated: September 19, 2024.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2411-030]

#### **Eagle Creek Schoolfield, LLC, City of Danville; Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions**

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2411-030.

c. *Date filed:* July 29, 2022.

d. *Applicant:* Eagle Creek Schoolfield, LLC and City of Danville.

e. *Name of Project:* Schoolfield Hydroelectric Project (Schoolfield Project or project).

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Dan River at approximately river mile 60.1 in the county of Pittsylvania, near the City of Danville, Virginia.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(t).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Jody Smet, Vice President, Engineering and Regulatory Affairs, Eagle Creek Renewable Energy, LLC, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100W, Bethesda, Maryland 20814; phone at (804) 382-1764 or email at [jody.smet@eaglecreekre.com](mailto:jody.smet@eaglecreekre.com); Joyce Foster, Director, Licensing and Compliance, Eagle Creek Renewable Energy, LLC, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100W, Bethesda, Maryland 20814; phone at (804) 338-5110 or email at [Joyce.Foster@eaglecreekre.com](mailto:Joyce.Foster@eaglecreekre.com); and Mr. W. Clarke Whitfield, Junior, City Attorney, City of Danville, 427 Patton Street, Room 421, Danville, Virginia 24541; phone at (434) 799-5122 or email at [whitfcc@danvilleva.gov](mailto:whitfcc@danvilleva.gov).

i. *FERC Contact:* Claire Rozdilski at (202) 502-8259; or email at [claire.rozdilski@ferc.gov](mailto:claire.rozdilski@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ferconline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy via U.S. Postal Service to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Schoolfield Hydroelectric Project (P-2411-030).

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application has been accepted and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

1. *The project facilities consist of:* (1) a 910-foot-long, 26.5-foot-high curved ogee-type concrete spillway dam with a crest elevation of 434.7 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD29) and topped with 3-foot-high wooden flashboards; (2) an impoundment having a surface area of 287 acres and a gross storage capacity of approximately 1,952 acre-feet at the project's normal maximum water surface elevation of 437.7 feet NGVD29; (3) a 224-foot-long by 35-foot-wide brick and concrete powerhouse that contains three identical 1.5-megawatt (MW) generating units (each generating unit is

connected to two identical propeller-type turbine units with a rated capacity of 1,006 horsepower each) for a total installed capacity of 4.5 MW; (4) a 72-foot-long headwall between the dam and the powerhouse with six low-level sluice gates and a non-operating fish ladder; (5) a tailrace that is approximately 160 feet long and 220 feet wide and separated from main river flows by a concrete wall; (6) a substation; (7) generator leads and a step-up transformer; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

The Schoolfield Project is operated in run-of-river mode, whereby outflow from the project approximates inflow, which may be suspended during reservoir drawdown and refilling for inspection of the City of Danville's water supply intakes, which occurs on an as needed basis. During normal operation, a continuous minimum flow of 300 cubic feet per second, or inflow if less, is released downstream. The average annual generation at the project was 15,220 MW-hours from 2017 through 2020.

m. This filing may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field, to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicants and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicants. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

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